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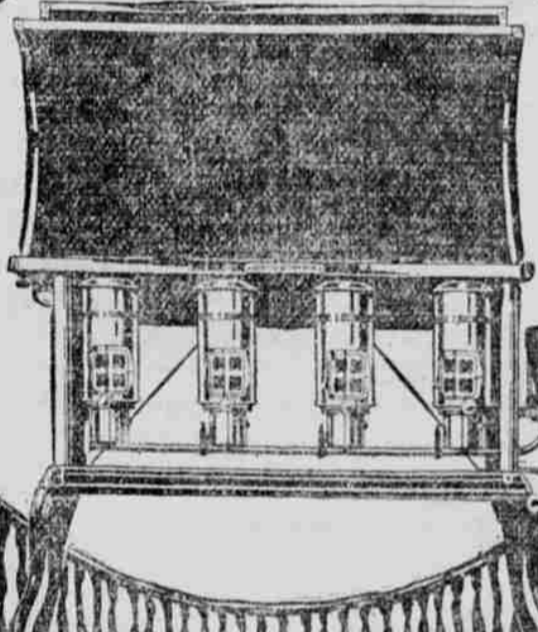


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H. C. Williams has had acetylene gas lights placed in his house and store. 28 of them in all.
Children's Day exercises will be held at the church Sunday morning, June 25, at 10.45.

An automobile party from Manchester Depot consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carleton, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Benson and two children, Maynard and Addie were guests at Mrs. Nellie Burbank's Sunday.

John Gardiner of Boston returned to his summer home here Saturday.

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The Strange Case Of Mary Page

(Continued from Tuesday's Banner.)

"Call Frank Carter."

There was a stir through the courtroom, and some commotion as the chauffeur got to his feet in confusion, and started at Langdon.

"D'you mean me?" he asked humbly; and when the court clerk repeated the name, "Frank Carter," he scrambled over the intervening spectators and went down the room excitedly.

He did not seem happy over the prospect of being made so conspicuous.

"You were Mr. Pollock's chauffeur, were you not?" asked Langdon, and the man nodded.

"Then will you please take the stand?"

Still looking somewhat bewildered at the sudden call, Carter took the oath, and Langdon, after the preliminary questions, said slowly, as if seeking to make a definite effect:

"Mr. Carter, you drove Mr. Pollock continually, did you not?"

"Yes, sir."

"Then you must have known most of his friends?"

"I did, sir, and some of his enemies," said the chauffeur grimly.

"Did you drive the limousine on the night Mr. Pollock was shot?"

"I did, sir," the witness answered readily.

He saw that he was important now, and, like most of his class, he rather



"Mr. Pollock went into the hotel alone."

enjoyed his sudden plunge into the limelight.

"Did Mr. Pollock take anyone to the theatre with him?"

"No, sir."

"Did he give you any instruction about what to do after the theatre?"

"Yes. He said that I was to wait for him near the corner, instead of coming back after the show. 'I may need you,' he said, 'and I'd rather you'd wait. If you stay at the corner I can see you, whether I come out at the front of the theatre or through the stage door.'"

"He took a guest back to the hotel with him after the performance, did he not?"

"No, sir."

The chauffeur was very emphatic.

"Do you mean that there was no one in the car except Mr. Pollock?"

"Oh, no—there was Shale. I thought you meant somebody else."

"Who is Shale?"

"Well, he's a sort of a pal of the chief's—that is, he used to be. I dunno exactly how to describe him. He and Mr. Pollock were in on some deals together, and when the chief wanted anything special done, he alius sent Shale. Folks called Shale 'Jim's jack'."

"Mr. Pollock seemed to think a lot of him, though, and took him around a good bit. When he was good humored, he used to say he took Shale along because he knew what he was up to when he was with him."

"When did this man Shale join Mr. Pollock?"

"After the show, or, rather, during it. I had been off to get a snifter, and when I came back Shale was sittin' in the car smokin'."

"'I'm waitin' for Jim,' he says; and I says, 'Go as far as you like.' So he give me a cigar, and we sat there smokin' till the show was over and Mr. Pollock came out."

"Was Mr. Pollock surprised to see this man in the machine?"

"No. He was used to it. He seemed to have been expectin' him. I saw him looking about in the crowd as if he was huntin' someone, and when he saw Shale in the car he looked relieved."

"Did you drive direct to the Hotel Republic?"

"Yes, sir, we did."

"And Mr. Shale went in with Mr. Pollock?"

"Oh, no, sir. As soon as the car stopped he went off down the street and Mr. Pollock went into the hotel alone."

"There was no doubt that both these unexpected witnesses had made a good impression."

The district attorney was not pleased;

but Langdon, happy in the knowledge that the terrible ordeal for Mary Page was drawing to an end, left the courtroom that day feeling younger and full of power.

Soon—soon—
But he hardly dared to dream his wonderful dream.

[To be continued.]

READSBORO

Miss Mary Grant of Greenfield is spending a vacation at Goodell farm.

Mrs. Albert G. Whipple has returned to North Adams after spending a week with Mrs. T. D. Goodell.

Mrs. Ernest Millette and son, Romeo of North Adams spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Eliza Dube.

Miss Laura C. Morris of Wilmington was the guest of Miss Fannie Hicks Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Brockway were business visitors in North Adams Thursday.

Miss Alma Bressette of North Adams visited friends in town over Sunday.

Miss Isabel Harrington of Blackinton was an over Sunday guest of friends in town.

Mrs. Alfred Bolieu is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. F. Thomas of Wilmington.

T. F. Rudnicke is spending a week's vacation in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Pike and son, Harry, Mrs. John O. Carpenter motored to Middletown Springs Saturday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Will Thomas.

Mrs. H. B. Soper of Shelburne Falls visited friends in town last Thursday.

Married in St. Joachim's church, Saturday, June 10, by Father C. H. Delnotaro, Miss Maria Valenti and Silvio Domenichini.

Miss Dorothy Stoecker is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles M. Hurd in North Adams.

Miss Josephine Lawney of Philadelphia is visiting at the home of A. B. Clark.

C. H. Pope attended the funeral of the former cashier of the Readsboro Chair Co., Mr. Hamilton, which was held in Shelburne Falls Thursday.

Percy Barre was a business visitor in North Adams Monday and Tuesday.

Reno Valazzi of Athol has been spending a few days with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Wilson are spending the week with relatives in West Dover and Wilmington.

Frank Croster is a business visitor in Burlington this week.

Helen Sprague has returned to her home in Brattleboro after spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Alfred Sprague.

Mrs. Lena Donovan of Shelburne Falls is spending the week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Lowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Allard and daughter, Mildred, of Wittingham spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Sumner.

Mrs. Henry Douglass spent Monday with relatives in North Adams.

Mrs. J. H. Mulverhill and Mrs. W. H. Gonweau of Wilton, Vt., have been spending a few days with Mrs. Joseph Jarvin.

Robert Clark of the Wilbraham Academy is at home for the summer vacation.

The commencement exercises of the Readsboro High school were held in

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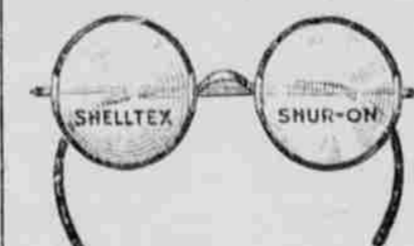
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